













## Farm, Garden and Household.

### Domestic Receipts.

**OLIVE OIL.**—One-half pint of olive oil, one-half pint of water, add three tablespoons of sugar, and turn into the boiling milk and stir it into a thick cream. Pour the mixture into a bowl and stir it until it is thick. Remove it from the fire and beat it with a whisk. Flavor with lemon, vanilla or almond. Mold it and use it next day.

**LEMON FRUIT.**—A correspondent says: For two pies, take one lemon, two eggs, one cup sugar, one cup water, one tablespoon of corn starch. The rind of the lemon should be grated to use, and the white part, which is bitter, thrown away, after squeezing the juice and pulp from it. I have made for me three very good ones on the following quantity: Three eggs, one cup sugar, one lemon, two cups water, two tablespoons of flour.

**WASHING FLUID.**—An excellent washing fluid may thus be made: Three tablespoons of soda, one cup water, one cup of dissolved camphor (the same as kept for family use), to a quart of soft water; bottle it up and shake it well before using. For a large wash tub, add one cup of soda to the water, and a pint of soap, make a warm and, using the same quantity of soap and fluid, and boil them just fifteen minutes, then strain in two waters.

**SPONGE GINGERBREAD.**—Five cups of flour, one heaping teaspoonful of butter, one cup of molasses, one of sugar, one of milk (one is better than two), one of salt, one of soda, dissolve in hot water; two teaspoonful of ginger, one teaspoonful of cinnamon. Mix the molasses, sugar, butter and spices together; warm them slightly, and beat until they are lighter in color by many degrees than when you began. Add the milk, then the flour, and beat until all well put in the flour. Beat very hard five minutes, and bake in a broad, shallow pan, or plate dish. Half a pound of raisins, cut in pieces, will be a pleasant addition. Try this gingerbread warm for tea or luncheon, with a cup of hot chocolate or company it, and you will soon repeat the experiment.

**Cost of Raising Potatoes.**  
The following is the cost of producing my crop of potatoes the past season. I estimate the labor at \$1 a day for a good man—what I have to pay—and his board at 25 cents in addition:

Breaking up 1 acre (4 horses and 2 men 1 day) \$2.50  
Sowing and harrowing 1 acre 4.00  
1st of cost of seed 1.00  
Cost of getting 25 loads into field and dropping in hills, 1 acre, apart, \$12.00  
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Cutting and dropping seed, 14 days 1.37  
Covering with hand-hoe, 2 days and a little more 3.00  
12 bushels partially loaded sales, at 125 cents 3.00  
Draining sales 1 day 1.25  
Working among and killing up with hand-hoe 4.00  
Digging and storing, 7 days' work 9.00  
Total team, hauling 125' near of company it, 1 acre, 20 cents 4.00

Total \$48.12  
On this acre I dug 160 bushels of Early Rose potatoes, which consequently cost thirty cents a bushel and a fraction over.  
Another place adjoining, planted with the same, no appreciable difference in the cost per acre, yielded a crop of 220 bushels per acre—being produced at a fraction short of twenty-two cents a bushel. I do not want to say this, but it is a great credit to the Early Rose, as a boasting of, but merely to give readers an idea of the cash cost, per bushel, of raising a medium crop in this locality.

### How to Make Grouting Wax.

Thomas Matteson, McKean county, Pennsylvania, writes: "Take two parts tallow, three parts beeswax; melt the tallow first, and put the beeswax and resin in it. When it is all melted, stir it all up and pour it into cold water and work it over. If there are lumps in it, mash them with your thumb and then the tallow. It is all work it the more sticky it grows. When it begins to stick to your hands, put some tallow on them. But it is a tin can with a cover to it, and it will keep for a number of years. I think it is as good as sticking salve to put on any sore. Some people put it in more tallow than they put in resin or beeswax to make it softer to work in cold weather; but if there is too much tallow in it, it will melt and run out in warm weather. I have had it for forty years, and it is as good as new. I have used it on a number of sorts of grafting wax. Some people put it in hot water, and make more tallow than is used. I do not find my finger with my tongue, and don't find any difficulty in putting the wax on. I put a little wax on the end of the graft."

### Potato Experiment.

A correspondent of the Western Farmer writes: Last spring, while planting my potato patch, I had a little trouble to put a well-sized tuber in a manner more thorough than is usual for the housewife—in fact I cut the eyes out of the very roots, and then gave it a hill by itself. In another adjoining hill I deposited the parings of the same, and went on with my work. When the potatoes began to show their heads, I found these also sent up their representatives, and throughout the whole season kept up a good appearance. The potato portion remained green for many days, as compared with its paring in the ratio of four to one—while both together did not reach the average of the surrounding hills.

### Weight of Dried Fruit Compared with Green.

The California Horticulturist quoted from the Bulletin the following as the result of dried fruits by the Alden process:

Apples—100 pounds green fruit make 12 dry.  
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Apricots—100 pounds green fruit make 14 dry.  
Cherries (pitted)—100 pounds green fruit make 18 dry.  
Grapes—100 pounds green fruit make 20 dry.  
Gooseberries—100 pounds green fruit make 30 dry.

**A VALUABLE RECIPE.**—In the directors' room of the German National Bank may be seen a note of which the following is a copy:

**ROXBOROUGH TOWNSHIP, Phila. Co., \$500.**  
Three months after date, I promise to pay to the Bank of Germantown, without deduction, six hundred dollars, at the said Bank of Germantown, for value received.

This note was discounted by the Bank of Germantown, with a mortgage as collateral security, April 26, 1816. At 212 cents, and running 31 years, it was paid April 23, 1848. Amount interest paid, \$1,907.

Londoners, too, are obliged to call on the oldest inhabitant for recollections of another winter like this.

## The End of a Little War.

### The English Battered with a Bonus and Peace were Healed in Ashantee.

It is about a year ago, says the New York Times, since the African tribe of Ashantees attacked the British in the west coast of Africa, living between Sierra Leone and the equator in 1824, and again in 1843, the British had come in conflict with this savage tribe. The war just ended is the third of its kind during the present century. The immediate cause of the war was the Ashantees' refusal to pay the third of the profits of the trade in ivory and gold to the British. The Ashantees are a powerful and warlike people, and the British have been unable to subdue them. The war has been a long and bloody one, and has cost the lives of many thousands of people. The British have been victorious, but the Ashantees are still a powerful force in the region.

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### Trilobite Spirals.

A medical gentleman in Aurora, Indiana, has written an account of the recent poisoning of several families in that town by a deadly snake. The snake was a cobra, and it was found in a field near the town. The cobra was a very large and powerful snake, and it was able to kill a man in a few minutes. The cobra was found in a field near the town, and it was found in a field near the town. The cobra was a very large and powerful snake, and it was able to kill a man in a few minutes. The cobra was found in a field near the town, and it was found in a field near the town.

### The Dutch War in Sumatra.

The German periodical *Der Abend* gives some interesting details of the Dutch war in Sumatra. The Dutch have been fighting a long and bloody war with the Sumatrans, and they have been unable to subdue them. The Sumatrans are a powerful and warlike people, and they have been able to resist the Dutch for many years. The Dutch have been able to establish a firm foothold in the region, and the Sumatrans have been able to return to their normal life. The war has been a great tragedy for both sides, but it has ended, and peace has been restored.

### Reconstructing.

An incomprehensibly reconstructed Southern gentleman to Vermont, and he was a native Vermonter. His oldest son, a boy of four years, was at first described by the father as a "little fellow," and a few weeks later to his crying, and got a little joyous from fancied neglect. One day he climbed up into the father's lap, and the father, who was sitting on the edge of the bed, said to him, "What do you like best, baby or me?"

The other thinking to please the little prattler, answered that he liked him best.

After a serious thought the shrewd youth said:

"O, I know why you like me best."

"Why?"

"O, 'cause I'm a Southern man and he's a Yankee."

## A Horrible Spectacle.

### A strangely horrible scene was witnessed at the execution of Martin, for murder, in California. It is thus described.

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